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WINFIELD ON THE WEB

Our architects, Engberg Anderson Design Partnership, have given us some exciting images to keep in mind as we further develop the new library.

To view images of the detailed floor plan, the floor plan by function, and the concept drawings, visit our website at www.winfield.lib.il.us.

Library Hours

Monday—Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday—Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday—Closed

Library Closings

Saturday, Dec. 24—Christmas Eve
Monday, Dec. 26—Christmas Day
Saturday, Dec. 31—New Year's Eve
Monday, Jan. 2—New Year's Day

Library Board of Trustees

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Board Meetings

The Library Board meets at 7:30 p.m. in the small meeting room. Meetings are open to the public.

Upcoming Board meetings:
December 21, 2005
January 11, 2006
February 8, 2006

Director: Matthew Suddarth
Newsletter Editor: Katie Clark

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT!

Thank you to all who participated in the Library's Community Planning Sessions this fall. At these sessions, different proposals for our expanded facility were presented. Thanks to your input, we have been able to refine our proposed facility to make it not only the best library of our size in the western suburbs, but especially the best library for the residents of Winfield.

Overcrowding of the current facility and the continued population growth of Winfield prompted the Library Board of Trustees to start the process of planning for a new library several years ago. In order to serve the growing population of Winfield through at least the year 2030, the library hired Fred Schlipf, building consultant and director of the Urbana Free Library in Urbana, Illinois, to develop a building program. Mr. Schlipf's program is recommending a facility of approximately 34,000 square feet of space. You may view a copy of this program at the library's circulation desk.

Currently, the library is working with Engberg Anderson Design Partnership of Milwaukee, Wisconsin to develop a conceptual design for an expanded facility. We have developed a display in the lobby of the library with drawings of the proposed building, a summary of the building program, and a comment box. We encourage all residents of Winfield to share their thoughts about our plans. You may also contact us in writing, by email at wfdstaff@winfield.lib.il.us or by phone at (630) 653-7599.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW FACILITY INCLUDE:

- Grade level entry that is accessible for those in wheelchairs, with strollers, or with other needs
- Gathering area for patrons to enjoy coffee
- Increased Internet and catalog workstations
- Expanded meeting space usable when library is closed
- Adult Services department with fiction, nonfiction, and reference all on the same level
- Young Adult area
- Expanded Youth Services department
- Elevator
- Quiet reading room
- Group study rooms
- Modern restrooms
- More patron seating

ADULT SERVICES

DID YOU KNOW?

Donating a book to the library is a gift that benefits the entire community while paying a lasting tribute to those you love.

Simply tell us the amount of the gift you would like to give, and we can help you choose a book on a favorite subject or by a preferred author.

A plaque will be placed in the book to memorialize a birthday, graduation, anniversary, or passing of a loved one. The honoree or family will receive a letter informing them of the gift we have received in their name.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you to all who participated in Project Backpack. Your donations helped young hurricane victims relocated to our area prepare for a new school year.

Adult Book Group

We meet at 7:00 p.m. in the small meeting room.

Books are available one month in advance.

December 6 *Alice in Wonderland* By Lewis Carroll

Down the rabbit hole; revisit the Cheshire cat, the March Hare, the Duchess, and the Caterpillar in this classic for all ages.

January 3 *Range of Motion* By Elizabeth Berg

When Lainey's husband Jay goes into a coma after a freak accident, she refuses to give up trying to revive him. She is sustained by her neighbor Alice, who has troubles of her own, by one of Jay's nurses, and by the spirit of Evie, a former resident of Lainey's house.

February 7 *My Sister's Keeper* By Jodi Picoult

13-year-old Anna Fitzgerald was genetically engineered to be a match for her older sister Kate, who suffers from a rare form of leukemia. Having donated blood and bone marrow, Anna rebels when asked to donate a kidney, and sues her parents for the right to her own body.

Young Adult Book Group

We meet at 6:00 p.m. in the large meeting room.

Books are available one month in advance.

December 8 *A Christmas Carol* By Charles Dickens

The classic Christmas tale in which humbug Ebenezer Scrooge finds the Christmas spirit after being visited by the spirits of the past, present, and future.

January 5 *Darby* By Jonathon Fuqua

In 1926 South Carolina, the murder of a black boy by a white man spurs nine-year-old aspiring "newspaper girl" Darby to use her column to promote racial equality, turning her and her family into both targets and heroes.

February 2 *Silent to the Bone* By E. L. Konigsburg

Did Branwell Zamborska drop and injure his baby half sister? Could the family's British au pair be hiding her own guilt by blaming Bran? Bran went mysteriously mute at the moment of the accident, but with the help of his best friend, he pieces together clues about the accident and why he is silent.

What's new in Adult Services?

Chicago Consumers' Checkbook Magazine

Do you know which firms offer the best service and prices in the Chicago area—and which offer the worst?

Consult this magazine written for Chicago area consumers. Forget the uncertainty of dealing with unreliable, incompetent, or dishonest service firms and get the facts you need to get the best value for your money. Now available at the Circulation Desk.

From the Village...



The library now has VHS recordings of Winfield Village Board meetings from

August 4, 2005 to the present.

Videocassettes may be checked out for viewing at home.

YOUTH SERVICES

Winter Storytime —Registration Required

January 23-March 2

Registration begins January 3rd. You can register at the library, by phone at 653-7599 or by e-mailing the library at wfdstaff@winfield.lib.il.us.

Two-year-olds

Mondays, 9:30 a.m.

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

Three to five-year-olds

Mondays, 10:30 a.m.

Mondays, 1:30 p.m.

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Winfield Express Across America

Saturday Drop-In Storytime, 10:00 a.m.

Take a train ride across the USA! We will learn about our great states through stories, festivals, songs, crafts, and specialty state foods.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>
December 3	Florida
January 7	Texas
February 4	California

HOLIDAY

Storytime with Mrs. Claus and Santa

Thursday, December 1, 6:30 p.m.
You are invited to a special evening of Storytime. Listen to holiday stories read by Mrs. Claus, and enjoy a very special visit from Santa Claus! Take this special opportunity to have your picture taken with Santa. Refreshments will be served.



Holiday Guessing Jar December 12-17

Come to the library and guess how many pieces of candy are in the jar. Everyone may guess once, and the person who is the closest gets to take home the jar December 20th.



Holiday Gift Tags

Saturday, December 17, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Give your holiday gifts a special finishing touch by creating beautiful tags to dazzle family and friends. The library will provide all supplies. Registration is not required for this program.

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Chicago Wolves' "Read to Succeed"

Monday, December 19 to Saturday, January 14

Children in preschool through eighth grade are invited to enroll in the "Read to Succeed" program. Set a reading goal and turn in a completed reading log on or before January 14th to enter the prize drawings for Wolves merchandise.



Chicago Wolves Player Visit

Tuesday, January 17, 7:00 p.m.

Meet Chicago Wolves hockey player Brian Sipotz, who will sign autographs after his "Read to Succeed" presentation in the large meeting room. All those attending this exciting program will be entered into a drawing for additional Wolves hockey items and tickets. Registration is not required, but seating is limited.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Storytime Tea

Tuesday, January 10, 10:30 a.m.

Parents, grandparents, and caregivers are invited to a special storytime tea. Learn the importance of early literacy for your child's future reading success and the six pre-reading skills you can begin teaching your child from birth. This is a chance to find out about your library, meet other parents, and enjoy refreshments.

Mother Goose and Her Friends

Monday, January 16, 10:30 a.m.

The world of nursery rhymes unfolds before your eyes as Mary Jane Haley appears as Mother Goose in this 40-minute program packed with rhymes, puppetry, and audience participation. This fast-paced literature program is ideal for young children from birth to eight years old.

Knitting for Beginners

Saturday, January 21,

10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

Love the funky scarf that's been the rage lately and wish you could make one? Join us for this beginning knitting class to learn the basics. Bring your own needles and yarn or borrow ours. For grades 3 and up. Registration is limited to 15 participants.

Valentine Drop-In Craft

Saturday, February 11,

10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

All ages are invited to come to the library to make a Valentine craft for someone special, or pick up a kit to take home any time during the day while supplies last.

NEWS FROM THE WINFIELD FRIENDS

Watch your mailbox!



The Friends' Annual Membership Drive is in full swing.

All Winfield residents will receive information about becoming a Friend of the Library. Membership fees start at just \$5.00! Many volunteer opportunities are available. Join us and make a difference in your community!

"Be a little careful of your Library. Do you foresee what you will do with it? Very little to be sure. But the real question is, What it will do with you? You will come here and get books that will open your eyes, and your ears, and your curiosity, and turn you inside out or inside in."

*Ralph Waldo Emerson,
Essayist, Poet 1803-1882*

Semi-annual book sale a great success!

The Friends' book sale that was held during Good Old Days this year raised over \$1,800 for the library. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped the sale run smoothly and efficiently—we sure appreciate your help! Thank you also to the community for supporting our book sales.

Remember, we accept used books all year round. Clean out your closets, rearrange your book shelves and bring in your unwanted books! Donations can be left at the front desk or by the service door near the book drop.

Volunteer opportunity:

We are currently in need of two co-chairs for our semi-annual book sales. We need people who are organized and love books. No prior experience is required. If you are interested, contact Denise at (630) 682-3767 or leave a message at the library at (630) 653-7599.

Upcoming Friends meetings:

December 7, January 4 and February 8

Join us at one of our monthly meetings to find out what we're working on and how you can help! All members are welcome to attend. Join us at 7:00 p.m. in the large community meeting room in the library.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE WINFIELD LIBRARY FRIENDS!



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